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UNASSIGNED IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yasuhiro NAKA, et al. GAU: SERIAL NO: NEW APPLICATION **EXAMINER: UNASSIGNED** FILED: **HEREWITH** METHOD OF MEASURING OPTICAL FIBER DRAWING TENSION FOR: REQUEST FOR PRIORITY COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313 SIR: Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number PCT/JP02/01855, filed February 28, 2002, is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120. ☐ Full benefit of the filing date(s) of U.S. Provisional Application(s) is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. Application No. Date Filed §119(e): Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below. In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority: MONTH/DAY/YEAR APPLICATION NUMBER **COUNTRY** 2001-055932 February 28, 2001 Japan January 28, 2002 2002-017989 Japan Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s) are submitted herewith ☐ will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee ☐ were filed in prior application Serial No. filed

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